

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all previous versions, and listings, of claims in this application.

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1. (Withdrawn) A method of manufacturing input and output terminal of a semiconductor device including an enhancement transistor having a channel region and an open drain transistor having a channel region, wherein the method of manufacturing the enhancement transistor comprises the steps of :
 - forming a gate insulating layer in an active region on a first conductive-type semiconductor substrate,
 - forming an impurity implantation region at a predetermined portion within the substrate of the lower side of the gate insulating layer through ion implantation of a second conductive-type impurity of low concentration,
 - forming a gate on the gate insulating layer by forming conductive layer on the whole surface of the resulting product and selectively-etching it so that a predetermined portion of the impurity implantation region and a predetermined portion of the substrate surface being close to the region being connected to the predetermined portion of the impurity implantation region are included at a predetermined portion, and
 - forming source and drain regions within the substrate at both edges of the gate through ion-implantation process of second conductive type of high concentration impurity.
 2. (Withdrawn) The method of manufacturing input and output terminal of a semiconductor device as defined in claim 1, wherein the gate has a deposition layer such as "W-silicide/polysilicon", or a single layer of polysilicon.
 3. (Withdrawn) A method of manufacturing input and output terminal of a semiconductor device including an enhancement transistor having a channel region and an open drain transistor having a channel region, wherein the method of manufacturing the enhancement transistor comprises the steps of :
 - forming a gate insulating layer in an active region on a first conductive-type semiconductor substrate,

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forming an impurity implantation region at a predetermined portion within the substrate of the lower side of the gate insulating layer through ion implantation of a second conductive-type impurity of low concentration,

forming a gate on the gate insulating layer by forming a conductive layer on the whole surface of the product and selectively-etching it so that the impurity implantation region and the substrate surface therearound are included at a predetermined portion, and

forming source and drain regions within the substrate at both edges of the gate through ion-implantation process of second conductive type of high concentration impurity.

4. (Withdrawn) The method of manufacturing input and output terminal of a semiconductor device as defined claim 3, wherein the gate has a deposition layer such as "W-silicide/polysilicon", or a single layer of polysilicon.

5. (Currently amended) A pull-up transistor disposed between a Vdd terminal and an I/O pad of a semiconductor device comprising:

a semiconductor substrate of a first conductivity type;

a source region and a drain region of a second conductivity type formed in the substrate and defining between them a channel region, one of the source region and the drain region being electrically coupled to the I/O pad, the other one of the source region and the drain region being electrically coupled to the Vdd terminal;

an impurity implantation region of impurities of a second conductivity type formed in a first sector of the channel region, the first sector ~~not reaching either one of~~ separated from the source region and the drain region; the impurity implantation region ~~of the first sector~~ comprising a depletion channel of the second conductivity type completely occupying a first surface region of the semiconductor substrate, wherein a lateral extent of the first surface region is equal to a lateral extent of the impurity implantation region;

a second sector of the channel region exclusive of the first sector comprising an enhancement channel of the first conductivity type with uniform doping concentration and occupying a second surface region of the semiconductor substrate;

a gate insulating layer on the substrate over at least a portion of the first surface region ~~of the first sector~~ and the second surface region ~~of the second sector~~; and

a gate on the gate insulating layer over at least a portion of the first sector and over at least a portion of the second sector.

6. (Original) The transistor of claim 5, wherein the first sector has a narrower line width than a line width of the gate.

7. (Previously presented) The transistor of claim 5, in which the gate comprises a first portion over the first sector and a second portion over the second sector; and the first portion is in a predetermined ratio with respect to the second portion.

8. (Cancelled)

9. (Original) The transistor of claim 5, wherein the first sector is separated from the source region and from the drain region by substantially equal distances.

10. (Currently Amended) A pull-up transistor disposed between a Vdd terminal and an I/O pad of a semiconductor device comprising:

a semiconductor substrate of a first conductivity type;

a source region and a drain region of a second conductivity type formed in the substrate and defining between them a channel region, one of the source region and the drain region being electrically coupled to the I/O pad, the other one of the source region and the drain region being electrically coupled to the Vdd terminal;

a first sector of the channel region, the first sector not reaching either one of the source region and the drain region;

an impurity implantation region formed on the semiconductor substrate, having impurities of a second conductivity type, and with a lateral extent coextensive with the first sector, the impurity implantation region further comprising a first surface region that functions as a depletion channel and that occupies the entire top surface of the semiconductor substrate within the ~~first sector~~ lateral extent of the impurity implantation region;

a second sector of the channel region exclusive of the first sector, the second sector comprising a second surface region that functions as an enhancement channel, that occupies an entire surface of the semiconductor substrate in the second sector, and that has uniform doping concentration of the first conductivity type;

a gate insulating layer on the substrate over at least a portion of the first surface region and the second surface region; and

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a gate on the gate insulating layer over at least a portion of the first sector and over at least a portion of the second sector.

~~a second sector of the channel region exclusive of the first sector comprising an enhancement channel of the first conductivity type with uniform doping concentration and occupying a surface region of the semiconductor substrate;~~

~~a gate insulating layer on the substrate over at least a portion of the surface region of the first sector and the surface region of the second sector; and~~

~~a gate on the gate insulating layer over at least a portion of the first sector and over at least a portion of the second sector.~~

11. (Original) The transistor of claim 10, wherein the first sector has a narrower line width than a line width of the gate.

12. (Previously presented) The transistor of claim 10, in which the gate comprises a first portion over the first sector and a second portion over the second sector; and the first portion is in a predetermined ratio with respect to the second portion.

13. (Previously presented) The transistor of claim 10, wherein the first sector is separated from the source region and from the drain region by substantially equal distances.

14. (Currently Amended) A pull-up transistor disposed between a Vdd terminal and an I/O pad of a semiconductor device comprising:
a semiconductor substrate of a first conductivity type;
a source region and a drain region of a second conductivity type formed in the substrate and defining between them a channel region, one of the source region and the drain region being electrically coupled to the I/O pad, the other one of the source region and the drain region being electrically coupled to the Vdd terminal;
a first sector of the channel region, the first sector not reaching either one of the source region and the drain region;
an impurity implantation region formed on the semiconductor substrate, having impurities of a second conductivity type, and with a lateral extent coextensive with the first sector, the impurity implantation region further comprising a first surface region that functions as a depletion channel and that occupies the entire top surface of the semiconductor

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substrate within the first sector, the ~~first surface region~~ impurity implantation region having a top surface and a bottom surface, wherein the top surface is larger than the bottom surface;

a second sector of the channel region exclusive of the first sector, the second sector comprising a second surface region that functions as an enhancement channel, that occupies an entire surface of the semiconductor substrate in the second sector, and that has uniform doping concentration of the first conductivity type;

a gate insulating layer on the substrate over at least a portion of the first surface region and the second surface region; and

a gate on the gate insulating layer over at least a portion of the first sector and over at least a portion of the second sector.

15. (Currently Amended) The transistor of claim 14, wherein the first sector has a narrower line width than a line width of the gate.

16. (Currently Amended) The transistor of claim 14, in which the gate comprises a first portion over the first sector and a second portion over the second sector; and the first portion is in a predetermined ratio with respect to the second portion.

17. (Currently Amended) The transistor of claim 14, wherein the first sector is separated from the source region and from the drain region by substantially equal distances.
